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NEWPORT, R.I.--PRESIDENT KENNEDY TODAY NAMED REPUBLICAN JOHN A. MCCONE, FORMER HEAD OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, TO SUCCEED ALLEN DULLES AS DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

MCCONE, AN INDUSTRIALIST, WILL TAKE OVER IN NOVEMBER FROM DULLES, WHO IS RETIRING.

THE 39-YEAR-OLD MCCONE MOVES INTO THE SUPER-SECRET POST, WHICH HEADS UP THE NATION'S ESPIONAGE SYSTEM, THAT DULLES, 67, HAS HELD FOR EIGHT YEARS.

DULLES AND MCCONE FLEW TOGETHER BY PLANE FROM WASHINGTON TO THE QUONSET NAVAL AIR STATION THIS MORNING, THEN TRAVELLED BY HELICOPTER TO HAMMARSMITH FARM WHERE THEY MET WITH THE PRESIDENT FOR AN HOUR BEFORE THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE.

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KENNEDY PRAISED DULLES FOR "COURAGEOUS AND SELFLESS" PUBLIC SERVICE. DULLES IN TURN CALLED MCCONE, THE LAST A.E.C. CHAIRMAN IN THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION, AS "THE IDEAL CHOICE" TO HEAD THIS NATION'S SUPER-SECRET INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS.

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